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Field Crops

Cotton bolls opening is at 97 percent complete, ahead of last year's 93 percent but the same as the 5-year average. Cotton conditions are mostly good to excellent. Harvesting remains active in the Yuma area. Most alfalfa is in fair to good condition. Harvesting is active on over three-quarters of the State's acreage.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, and lemons.

Range & Pasture

Range and pasture conditions vary from very poor to excellent, depending on location. At this time last year 69 percent was rated at very poor or poor. Currently 40 percent is rated at very poor or poor and 28 percent is rated at good or excellent.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent			
	- Percent -							
Alfalfa	-	9	40	44	7			
Range and Pasture	25	15	32	21	7			
Cotton Condition	-	1	17	53	29			

Crop Progress

97
24

Weather Summary

Temperatures varied across the State for the week ending October 10, ranging from 10 degrees below normal at Payson to 5 degrees above normal at Grand Canyon and Willcox. The highest temperature of the week was 99 degrees at Phoenix and Yuma. The lowest reading at 27 degrees occurred at Grand

Canyon. Precipitation was recorded in 19 the 22 stations this week. Yuma received the least at 0.05 inches of precipitation and Flagstaff received the most at 2.45 inches. Eight of the 22 weather stations remain at below normal precipitation to date, mostly in the northern areas of the State.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data									
		Oc	tober 3,	2010 - Oc	tober 10, 20	010			
	Temperature				Precipitation				
					Past	Jan. 1	Departure	Percent	
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Week	to Date	From Normal	of Normal	
Aguila	68	-6	90	47	0.59	9.37	1.73	123	
Buckeye	73	-5	95	52	0.14	7.09	1.51	127	
Canyon De Chelly	59	2	79	36	0.23	9.27	1.98	127	
Coolidge	71	-3	93	46	0.70	7.54	2.07	138	
Douglas	69	4	89	45	0.06	9.74	-1.37	88	
Flagstaff	50	0	73	29	2.45	22.22	4.84	128	
Grand Canyon	52	5	76	27	2.30	13.14	-2.47	84	
Kingman	64	-4	84	45	0.59	5.27	-2.31	70	
Marana	75	1	93	54	0.17	8.16	-0.07	99	
Maricopa	73	-3	95	51	1.37	7.56	2.21	141	
Paloma	71	-6	95	49	0.00	4.67	-0.23	95	
Parker	68	-10	91	46	0.00	3.73	0.62	120	
Payson	61	1	80	37	1.31	18.35	1.50	109	
Phoenix	79	2	99	63	0.41	7.81	2.23	140	
Prescott	60	3	80	38	1.48	11.83	-3.91	75	
Roll	71	-6	98	48	0.00	3.40	1.11	148	
Safford	71	4	91	45	0.32	10.52	2.96	139	
St. Johns	61	3	84	34	0.13	7.98	-1.33	86	
Tucson	75	2	96	54	0.23	10.53	0.92	110	
Willcox	69	5	93	42	0.50	13.21	2.95	129	
Winslow	62	3	86	37	0.41	5.79	-0.41	93	
Yuma	76	-5	99	57	0.05	3.83	1.54	167	
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